

required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b)" (page 2, Paper No. 0305). The Applicants respectfully disagree. A certified copy of JP 2002-362352 was submitted when the application was filed on December 12, 2003, as evidenced by the attached copies of the date stamped receipt cards, Utility Patent Application Transmittal and first two pages of the priority document. Also, the Applicants note that a complete copy of the priority document appears in IFW under the following citation:

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Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that copies of the priority documents have been received by the Patent Office and request that the Examiner correct the priority information in the records of the present application including any electronic records and a correction of the foreign priority indication on the Office Action Summary at Box 12(a)(1).

In response to a request in paragraph 6 of the Official Action, the Applicants will correct any errors in the specification of which the Applicants become aware.

Paragraph 7 of the Official Action rejects claims 1, 3, 5-8, 17 and 18 as obvious based on U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0004434 to Nishi et al. However, Nishi, as a commonly owned application under § 102(e), may not be considered for a rejection under § 103. Subject matter developed by another, which qualifies as prior art only under one or more of subsections 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(e), (f) and (g), is not to be considered when determining whether an invention sought to be patented is obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103, provided the subject matter and the claimed invention were commonly owned at the time the invention was made. See MPEP § 2146. Since the disclosure by Nishi and the claimed invention of the present application were, at the time the invention was made, subject to an obligation of assignment to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd., Nishi may not be considered for a rejection under § 103. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) are in order and respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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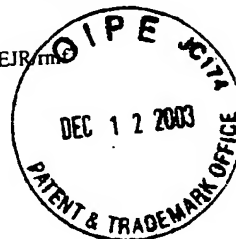
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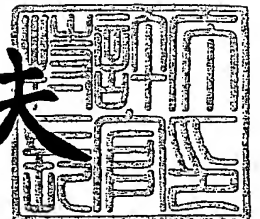
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